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**Office Action Summary**

Application No.

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Applicant(s)

CARLSON, GREG

Examiner

Brenda Pham

Art Unit

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**Status**

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 12 February 2006.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 12-20 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 2 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 3-11 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 04 September 2001 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

**BRENDA PHAM**  
**PRIMARY EXAMINER**

Attachment(s)

*Brenda A. Pham 3/24/06*

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date: _____ |
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***Response to Arguments***

1. Applicant's arguments filed 02/15/06 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant argued in the REMARKS, page 8, that "Forslow does not fairly teach or suggest the limitation "when the current node is not the destination of the message selectively forwarding the message to another node by employing the geographic position data of the current node". Examiner respectfully disagrees.

As set forth in the Office Action, Toh discloses every claim limitations recited in the arguable claims (claim 1 and 2), except for the limitation of employing the geographic position data of the current node. This limitation is well known in the art and also taught by Antonucci et al. Antonucci et al teach the geographic information may be derived from Global Positioning System. Therefore, it would have been obvious to implement the limitation of employing the geographic position data of the current node, in Toh. Examiner believes Toh in view of Antonucci et al disclose and render obvious all the claim limitation in claim 1 and 2. Therefore, the rejection stands

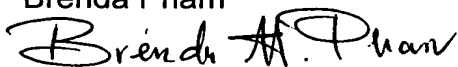
***Conclusion***

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Brenda Pham whose telephone number is (571) 272-3135. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9:00 to 5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chi Pham, can be reached on (571) 272-3179.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-2600.

March 23, 2006  
Brenda Pham



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